



Talks rocky over nurses' contract

LABOUR Negotiations for a new contract between Alberta's nurses and their employer are off to a rough start.

The nurses union says in a release that the opening proposal from Alberta Health Services asks for cuts in salaries, benefits, safe-care provisions and scheduling protections.

Heather Smith. president of the United Nurses of Alberta, says many of the rollbacks would erode standards of care, safety in the workplace and job security. Smith says the union is looking for more resources to fix a strained health-care system, and is seeking wage increases of four per cent. The talks cover more than 24,000 registered nurses.

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Oilers Fight night STUHT

Edmonton Oiler Zack Stortini fights with Ottawa Senator Matt Carkner during first period NHL action at Rexall Place last night. The Oilers lost 4-1. Story, page 9.

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Minority report

City's foreign-born population to jump by 2031

One out of every three people in the Edmonton area will be a visible minority by 2031, according to projections released yesterday by Statistics Canada.

The proportion is expected to jump to 29 per cent from 17 per cent in '06. While the foreign-born population of Edmonton is projected to jump to 22 per cent from 19.

The projections suggest the face of Canada will change even more dramatically than it already has as immigrants from South Asia and China continue to outnumber the Europeans

By 2031 ...

• The largest visible minority population in 2031 is projected to be South Asian, which includes people from India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. Chinese is projected to be the second largest visible minority group. The change in population is not projected to occur at the same pace throughout the country.

who settled the country. The national figures proj-

ect a radically altered population over a half century. Across Canada, Statistics Canada is predicting 31 per cent of the population will be a visible minority in three decades more than 14.4 million peo-

In 1981, there were just over one million Canadians who identified themselves as visible minorities, representing less than five per cent of the population.

Statistics Canada takes its definition of a visible minority from the federal Employment Equity Act, which is "persons, other than aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white colour."

More rapid change is ex-

pected in the largest metropolitan areas, especially Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal, where most newcomers tend to settle.

Jeffrey Reitz, a professor of ethnic and immigration studies at the University of Toronto, says the history of immigration shows that diversity comes to the cities first, though that may change over time. Newcomers to Canada tend to settle in larger cities not only because the sheer size means more job opportunities, but also because there are builtin communities of people with similar backgrounds.

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Coke rap dropped in Jaffer case

COURTS Charges of cocaine possession and drunk driving against former Conservative MP Rahim Jaffer were withdrawn yesterday after he pleaded guilty to careless driving.
In convicting Jaffer and

fining him \$500, the judge said he would not interfere with the joint submission by Crown and defence.

"I'm sure you can recognize a break when you see one," Justice Doug Maunder told Jaffer.

Prosecutor Marie Balogh told the court there was no reasonable prospect of conviction on the more serious charges, saying there would be "significant legal issues" with proceeding on those.

"The matter was carefully reviewed," Balogh told Maunder. She would not comment afterwards.

Asked by Maunder if he had anything to say, Jaffer simply said, "No, thank you, your honour."

Jaffer, 38, who refused to discuss his guilty plea under Ontario's Highway Traffic Act, said he was sorry, and relieved the case was over.

"I know that I should have been more careful,"

he said outside court. "Once again I apologize for that, and I take full responsibility for my careless driving."

Jaffer, who is married to junior federal cabinet minister Helena Guergis, was arrested last Sept. 10 after police stopped him for driving at 90 kilometres an hour in a 50 km/h zone in Palgrave, Ont., north of

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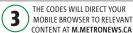
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Gidillun wow I am disgusted the Crown dropped the careless driving and cocaine charges against Jaffer. The crown should be charged!! #yeq #yyc

@jeffsieben #McDonalds doesn't need a #RollUpTheRim win to get a free coffee. You can just go there. Will they take my #TimHorton cup? #yeg #downtown

@nuttyskadork At West Edmonton Mall waiting for McBain Camera to open to get my passport photos. Where's a good place to nap for an hour here lol? #yeq



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Video Newcomers to Canada explain what drew them to the country's largest cities at metronews.ca/

Blogs TFC's director of business operations joins It's Called Football to discuss their bid to host the MLS Cup and paperless ticketing at BMO



Paige Harding, second from right, and three other firefighters from Sherwood Park's Fire Station Number 1 are the first to camp out on the roof to support Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

Campout for charity

Firefighters hit station roof to fight muscular dystrophy

MONIQUE MASSIAH

Firefighters in Sherwood Park had their ladders out yesterday, but instead of putting out fires, the crew from Firehouse Number 1 was fighting a much

bigger battle. We are doing this to bring awareness to a charity of choice to firefighters in Canada, Muscular Dystrophy Canada," said Lt. Michael Nicholson. "It's a disease that can hit anyone at any time, any age, gender, or socio-economic situation.

Flanked by volunteers, council members and parents of children afflicted with muscular dystrophy, firefighters ascended to the roof for the first day of many to raise money for the cause.

"It should be fun," said Paige Harding, a rooftop volunteer "The guys think I'm crazy for being up here with them for four days but I brought extra blan-

Harding has been working with Strathcona Emergency Services for over a year. She and three others are the first firefighters that will spend three nights and four days camped out on the roof.

Muscular dystrophy is a group of diseases that weakens the body's muscles, leading to eventual muscle death. Firefighters have been supporting the cause to find a cure for muscular dystrophy since 1982

Sherwood Park will have some competition from Edmonton firehouses during the rooftop showdown. They're hoping to raise \$50,000 and despite weather forecasts for snow, Number 1's firefighters say they are well prepared and ready for the challenge.

Red Cross here to help

CHARITY On her first night as official honorary chair for the Canadian Red Cross. Marie Stelmach spoke to a room full of volunteers and supporters at the Coast Plaza Hotel.

Stelmach spoke of the great lengths the Red Cross community and volunteers go to in ensuring each resident of Edmonton is offered aid when it is need-

ed.
"We want to let our community know about our services," said Fatima Hasanali, the Canadian Red Cross' public-affairs co-ordinator.

The Power of Humanity is an annual fundraiser meant to inform the public of the Red Cross' actions, not only overseas but also here in Edmonton.

With the recent events that have taken place in Chile and Haiti, the public had yet to hear what the Red Cross does for local residents.

"This is about telling our story to Edmontonians," Hasanali said. "It's letting people know about how

Eighty-five disaster-services volunteers are on call all year to help Edmontonians who are victims of a fire or flood.

our services impact the lives of their neighbours."

Eighty-five disaster-services volunteers are on call 365 days a year to ensure city residents will get aid if they are victims of a fire or flood.

"If there is any disaster like in Haiti, we get requests to bring family members together," said David Baine, a retired University of Alberta professor and three-year Red Cross volunteer for the Restoring Family Links program.

Baine volunteers up to three days a week and helps victims of war in Canada search for their missing family members.

"I love the challenge," he said. "And I'm just delighted to bring family members together."

> MONIQUE MASSIAH/ FOR METRO EDMONTON

Changes to energy royalties loom

TORIES Changes to energy royalties in Alberta are to be announced tomorrow with the release of a report on the industry's competitiveness.

Investment has plummeted in Alberta in the last couple of years since the province restructured royalties to boost government revenues.

Premier Ed Stelmach's

Tory government has signalled for months that it was preparing to reduce some royalties to help restore energy investment in

A government source told The Canadian Press that the government's response covers three areas: Fiscal, regulatory and innovation technology.

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Canadian politicians confident NAFTA pullout won't happen

Fresh off a recent skirmish over "Buy American," some Canadian cabinet ministers are confident a new protectionist push from some U.S. politicians won't succeed. A group of 28 members of the House of Representatives last week unveiled a bill calling for U.S. President Barack Obama to give six months notice that the U.S. will pull out of NAFTA. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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PMO set to spend \$13M more
In the Conservative crackdown on salaries and office budgets, it seems one wing of government didn't get the memo — Prime Minister Stephen Harper's own bureaucracy. The government released financial estimates showing the budget for the Prime Minister's Office is expected to spike by 21.9 per cent — or more than \$13 million. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Tax cut means new headache Woman spends savings

Federal budget's child-care break creates 'new inequities:' Think tank

The federal budget's key anti-poverty measure cures one headache and causes another.

Changes to the tax treatment of the \$100-a-month Universal Child Care Benefit to help single-parent families "will create new inequities," says the Caledon Institute of Social Policy, an Ottawa think-tank.

Critics complained the benefit was subject to income tax, penalizing single-parent families in particular. Until now, single parents could pay more tax on their \$100 per child benefit than a two-parent family with the same income. The budget set out to address the problem by allowing single-parent families to claim the paysingle-parent ments as income for their dependents, meaning most single-parent families will likely avoid paying any tax on their \$100 because the

money will be claimed as their children's income.

now, two-parent families will pay more taxes on their benefit than single-parent families of

the same income.
"This is patently unfair," says the Caledon Institute. 'So the UCCB will remain a complicated and virtually incomprehensible social program in terms of its real as opposed to apparent value to families.'

Federal officials did not immediately respond to questions about the bene-THE CANADIAN PRESS



in legal battle over dog

HALIFAX Francesca Rogier says she remains unbowed in her legal battle to save the life of a mixed-breed dog that faces euthanasia after it attacked other canines, despite exhausting \$30,000 in savings on lawyers and putting her architecture career on hold.

The 50-year-old resident of Eastern Chezzetcook, a rural community on the outskirts of Halifax, won a reprieve for Brindi before a provincial court judge yesterday.

Representing herself, Rogier successfully argued for a delay while she arranges for an animal trainer to visit the pound and assess the dog's behaviour before Judge Alanna Murphy decides Brindi's fate.

"For a judge to decide whether a dog is too dangerous to live, they should be able to draw on expert opinion ... someone who is qualified to assess the behaviour of the dog," Rogier said outside court.

Rogier has been convicted of being the owner of a dog that was running at large, owning a dog that attacked another animal and

Unusual case

 Vaughan Black, a law professor at Dalhousie University in Halifax, said the case is important because dog owners seldom actually contest the euthanasia of their dogs. On the other hand, Black who studies animal law said it's difficult for the city to give way if it considers an animal to be dangerous under its bylaws.

failing to comply with a

muzzle order. Brindi has been impounded for almost two years after she rushed out of the yard and attacked a leashed dog strolling by Rogier's home in July 2008.

This came after a series of written warnings from the City of Halifax following other attacks by Brindi. One of the city's warnings required Brindi be muzzled.

Rogier admits she made "mistakes" but points out she has built a fence, set aside money to hire a trainer and committed to keeping Brindi muzzled.

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Woman kicked out of second French class over nigab

MONTREAL A Muslim woman in Quebec has been kicked out of a language course for the second time because of her refusal to remove a religious face covering.

The Egyptian immigrant made headlines last week when word broke that provincial officials expelled her from a governmentsponsored French class several months ago after she refused to take off her

The woman enrolled in another class, but as soon as the Quebec government got word she was attending class in her niqab, she was given the same ultimatum. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Jacmel A mother mourned



Gov. Gen. Michaelle Jean hugs Maile Alphonse during a visit to Jean's hometown of Jacmel, Haiti yesterday. Alphonse lost her mother, Magali, a friend of Jean's and godmother to Jean's daughter, in the quake that devastated Haiti in January.

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Giving kids flu shots reduces infections in community: Study

HEALTH A new study shows vaccinating against flu can substantially reduce infections in a community.

The research shows that giving flu shots to a significant portion of kids aged three to 15 cut the risk of catching flu by 60 per cent, which for adults is about as good as getting a flu shot themselves.

The research team, led by Dr. Mark Loeb of McMaster University in Hamilton, did the study in Hutterite communities in Western Canada. Some of the colonies were randomly assigned to have their children vaccinated against the

Lower the toll

• Dr. Mark Loeb says the study doesn't mean children should be vaccinated instead of high-risk individuals like seniors, but that if kids are given flu shots too it should significantly lower the toll influenza takes every winter.

flu or hepatitis A.

The idea that stopping the spread of flu among kids would benefit adults has been around for awhile, but this is the first time the question has been studied in a randomized controlled trial.

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News in brief

BABY DEATH A young couple accused of seriously injuring their infant daughter, who died later in a Halifax hospital, are now facing manslaughter charges. Halifax Regional Police say the new charges against Ashigur Rahman and his partner, Jane Elizabeth

Gomes, are in addition to charges of aggravated assault that had already been laid against them. The couple who were both 23 at the time of the baby's death —recently pleaded not guilty to the aggravated assault charges.

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Hustler denied access to crime scene photos

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Hustler Magazine's request for crime-scene photos of the decapitated body of hiker Meredith Emerson was met by outraged Georgia lawmakers who vowed to push legislation exempting such photos from public release. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Family trying to suppress video

SeaWorld officials and the family of Dawn Brancheau, left, are trying to suppress video footage of the killer whale attack that ended her life. A SeaWorld camera captured the accident and the footage was turned over to law enforcement. Once the Orange County Sheriff's Office concludes its investigation, the material would become public under Florida law. Brancheau's family said Monday that public airing of the killing would only worsen their grief. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pope's brother aware of physical abuse claims

The pope's brother said in a newspaper interview published yesterday that he slapped pupils as punishment after he took over a renowned German boys' choir in the 1960s.

He also said he was aware of allegations of physical at an elementary school linked to the choir, but did nothing about it.

The Rev. Georg Ratzinger said he was completely unaware of allegations of sexual abuse at the Regensburger Domspatzen bovs choir. part of a string of charges of sex abuse by church employees across Europe in recent days.

Responding to accusations that its policies encouraged silence about the problem, the Vatican said the sexual abuse scandals in Germany and other countries were cause for anguish, but its response has been prompt and transparent. The scandal sweeping church institutions in many

"The problem of sexual abuse that has now come to light was never spoken of."

Rev. Georg Ratzinger

European countries kept widening yesterday.

In Austria, the head of a Benedictine monastery in Salzburg admitted to sexually abusing a child decades ago and resigned. Dutch Catholic bishops nounced an independent inquiry into more than 200 allegations of sexual abuse of children by priests at church schools and apologized to victims.

The German abuse allegations are particularly sensitive because Germany is the homeland of Pope Benedict XVI and because the scandals involve the prestigious choir that was led by Georg Ratzinger from 1964 till 1994. Last week, the Regensburg Diocese said a former singer at the choir had come forward with allegations of sexual abuse in the early 1960s.

Ratzinger has repeatedly said the sexual abuse allegations date from before his tenure as choir director. Asked in the interview yesterday whether he knew of them, Ratzinger insisted he was not aware of the prob-"These things were never discussed," Ratzinger told the Passauer Neue Presse German daily. "The problem of sexual abuse that has now come to light was never spoken of.

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India Historic step for women



Indian lawmakers join other women in celebrations vesterday outside the Indian parliament in New Delhi after the Women's Reservation Bill was passed by the upper house of parliament. The bill would reserve one-third of legislative seats for women. The bill now goes to the lower house, where it is likely to pass.

News in brief

QUAKE The Earth really did move during last week's massive Chile earthquake: Researchers say cities and islands physically shifted west a bit. Thanks to satellites, scientists at Ohio State University and the University of Hawaii found that the city of Concepcion moved at least three metres to the west. It is the nearest major city to last month's

quake, Chile's capital, Santiago, also moved 30 centimetres.

COLD WAR Japan confirmed for the first time yesterday the existence of once-secret Cold War-era pacts with the U.S. that tacitly allowed nucleararmed warships to enter Japanese ports in violation of Tokyo's postwar principles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

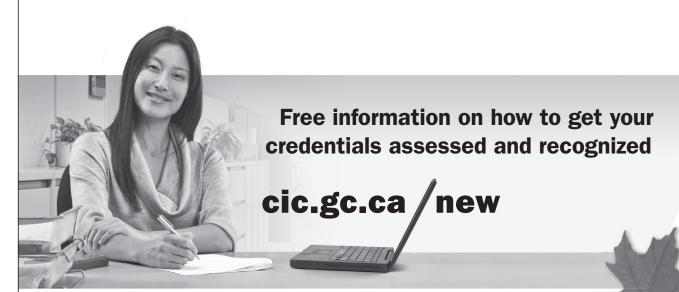
Officials to probe runaway Prius

CALIFORNIA A Toyota Prius that sped out of control on a California freeway was towed to a dealership yesterday while federal and company inspectors converged on the car to de-termine whether a stuck gas pedal was to blame.

James Sikes, 61, told authorities the accelerator malfunctioned Monday as he drove his Prius on an Interstate. The car reached 174 km/h before a California Highway Patrol officer helped the driver to slow down and turn off the engine. Toyota denied it planned to recall the Prius model involved. Toyota has recalled some 8.5 million vehicles worldwide since last fall because of acceleration problems in multiple models and braking issues in the Prius.

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With glowing hearts ... in Quebec



ne of the most underreported stories coming out of the Olympics is, to my mind, one of the most important.

Two separate polls indicate a remarkable increase in the glow of the hearts of

the people of Quebec. Leger Marketing reports that 79 per cent of those polled in Quebec said they have "a stronger sense of pride in Canada" when they watch Canadian athletes ascend to the podium.

And Ipsos-Reid reports that 63 per cent of Quebe-cers now call themselves 'Canadian nationalists."

If these numbers hold up, Alexandre Bilodeau and Joannie Rochette have saved Canada! A relatively cheap \$6-billion investment has succeeded where all that torturous handwringing, all that interminable Meech Lakeing Charlottetowning, and

We probably shouldn't expect Quebec to replace "Ie me souviens" with "Go Canada Go!" on licence plates, but it is more than nice to think that the "nation" of Quebec is back in the bosom of its family.

Many of the sour grapes thrown at Quebec from the "Rest of Canada" can be attributed to hurt feelings. They rejected our language, our culture, our Mounties, after we went to all that trouble to take up poutine. But now that Quebec has become, apparently overnight, a hotbed of Canadian nationalism, all is forgiven. Vive la différence!

The separatists have been reduced to a hard core of malcontents. Even Lucien Bouchard, the bête noir of the separatist nightmare, has lost his enthusiasm for the sovereignty project, sidelining it with a Gallic shrug as a losing game. Maybe later, he thinks.

Another poll, taken by the Association of Canadian Studies in Montreal, shows that only 29 per cent of Quebecers support the idea

of a separate Olympic team for Quebec, but 65 per cent reject the idea.

This is a huge vote for Canada from a place that has been lukewarm at best You could put it down to a short burst of enthusiasm to be followed by another interminable decade of bleak interactions. But what if the people of Quebec are tired of those things that separate us and are ready to become part of something bigger, more in-clusive, more multicultural, less medieval?

This fashionable patriotism is really the first expression of a new genera-tion of Canadians united, not by language, not by race, not by creed, but by the remarkable idea of a nation where we are all free to celebrate our heritage, yet also free to create a new identity that liberates us from things such as language laws and timeworn boundaries.

And somewhere between 63 and 79 per cent of Quebecers are ready, at last, to

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Word on the street: Did anything in last week's budget affect you or your family?

Angie Wight

A: Not as of yet. I have finished school. Health care

Kathy Mendes Edmonton

A: No, not really. I always be



Samantha **Sheplawy**

A: It really hasn't affected me or my family.



Graeme Reniers



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A: I'm a graduate student of interna-A: They took out the home renovational development tion tax breaks. We and he froze for-eign aid funds in are expected to do some renovations get. That budget. this year. It would have been nice.

Ashley

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A: I think more of the budget should be spent on a sustainable future, green cars, and rap id transit that will help create more





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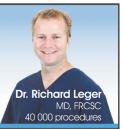
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Era of 3-D TV approaching fast

Samsung and Panasonic will start selling 3-D TVs in U.S. stores this week, inaugurating what TV makers hope is the era of 3-D viewing in the living room. Canadian sales will likely follow soon after.

Samsung Electronics Co. announced yesterday that it is selling two 3-D sets. Combined with the required glasses and a 3-D Blu-ray player, the prices start at about \$3,000 US for a 46-inch screen.

3-D sports coming to a TV near you

· Eventually, sports and other programming that will benefit from a more immersive experience should be offered in 3-D. ESPN has said

Panasonic Corp. has said it will sell its first 3-D set today.

The push into the living room comes as moviegoers have shown considerable enthusiasm for the latest wave of 3-D fare in it will start a channel that will broadcast live events using the technology, starting with FIFA World Cup soccer in June.

the theatre. This weekend, Alice in Wonderland grossed an estimated \$116.2 million at the box office, beating the firstweekend receipts of Avatar, the winter's 3-D blockbuster.

Although it's clear that 3-D sets for the home will appeal to technology and home-theatre enthusiasts, it remains to be seen if the TVs will entice regular consumers to spend \$500 or more above the price of a comparably sized stan-dard TV and Blu-ray play-

The 3-D effect requires viewers to wear relatively bulky glasses that need to be recharged occasionally.

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Business in brief

BANKS Canada's five biggest banks saw their profits soar by nearly two-thirds in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the same period a year before. The banks earned a combined \$5.09 billion in the three months ended Jan. 31, compared to \$2.97

billion in 2009, helped by lower loan losses and a resurgence in mortgages. Scotiabank was the final bank to report earnings yesterday, posting a 17 per cent rise in profit to \$988 million and beating analyst estimates

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Payrolls expected to stay at status quo: Survey

WORKFORCE A recent survey of more than 1,900 Canadian employers found that 17 per cent of them expected to increase their payrolls in the second quarter of 2010.

That compares with six per cent of the respondents who anticipated reducing the size of their workforce and about three-quarters who expected to stay the course.

The survey was conducted by Manpower Canada, a private-sector company that provides staffing services to employers.

Manpower says, overall, the hiring climate for the upcoming quarter is "modest."

The survey rates the net employment outlook at seven per cent, which is up six percentage points from the same time last

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Millionaires not feeling the pinch

The millionaires' club in the U.S. grew by 16 per cent in 2009, following a 27 per cent decline in 2008. Families with a net worth of at least \$1 million, excluding primary residences, rose to 7.8 million in 2009, according to a survey of high net-worth U.S. households conducted by Spectrem Group. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Loss of 7 million workers manageable if government, firms prepare now: TD

A new report on aging suggests the demographic crunch facing Canada is manageable, but only if government and business start making appropriate adjustments.

The TD Bank study is the latest of a string of recent reports to warn about the adverse impact on Canada and its economy as a result of the coming wave of retirements by baby boomers.

"If we don't do anything ... there will be serious consequences."

Don Drummond, TD Bank

But while most have predicted severe labour shortages, stalled growth, lower living standards and fiscal squeezes on governments, TD economists Don Drummond and Francis Fong say the consequences may not be as dire if proper policies are adopted.

"If we don't do anything, the Canadian economy will be stalled and there will be serious consequences," concedes Drummond, the bank's chief economist. Last month, parliamentary budget officer Kevin Page said the feds will face a structural deficit of about \$20 billion in five years because more Canadians will transition from tax-paying workers to services-using retirees.

Other studies, including by the Conference Board of Canada, have projected severe labour shortages in Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Chevron to cut 2,000 jobs

OIL Chevron Corp. said yesterday it will cut 2,000 jobs this year and sell some overseas operations as it revamps its struggling refinery, marketing and transportation operations.

The job cuts represent almost 12 per cent of its 17,000 workers in the so-called downstream part of its business and just over three per cent of its overall workforce.

Executives of the secondlargest U.S. oil producer are still deciding where and when they will eliminate the jobs as they try to complete the restructuring by the third quarter, company spokesman Lloyd Avram said.

Oil refineries struggled amid rising oil prices and falling demand last year. In addition, new refineries are being built.

The company, which is based in San Ramon, Calif., said severance charges are expected to range between \$150 million and \$200 million on an after-tax basis in the first quarter.

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Koe splits day

Alberta's Kevin Koe recovered from an embarrassing loss to winless Nova Scotia earlier in the day dumping Manitoba 7-2 yesterday at the Tim Hortons Brier. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Senators sink Oilers

NHL RESULTS

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The Senators exploded for three goals in the third period and Ottawa snapped a three-game losing streak with a 4-1 win over the Edmonton Oilers last night.

Chris Kelly, with a goal and an assist, Matt Cullen, Milan Michalek and Mike Fisher scored for the Senators (37-25-5), who won for the first time since the Olympic break, a skid that saw them score just three goals. Daniel Alfredsson added three assists.

Pisani Fernando sponded for the Oilers (21-39-6), who saw a two-game winning streak come to an end, while falling six points back of Toronto in last place in the NHL.

The Senators, who outshot Edmonton 39-19 on the night, had the bulk of the opportunities early on, but Oilers goalie Jeff Deslauriers stood tall, including a two-man advantage when he made key stops on Alex Kovalev and Michalek



Edmonton's Jeff Deslauriers battles with the Ottawa's Alexei Kovaley last night. Kovaley did not score on the play

Edmonton's best chance of the first came with just over two minutes left as Brian Lee hauled down Mike Comrie.

The Oilers forward was awarded a penalty shot but Senators goaltender Brian Elliott made the save to keep the game scoreless.

Both teams are back at it tomorrow.

The Oilers start a threegame road trip in Montreal, while the Senators travel to Calgary.

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Sports in brief

MEETING NHL general managers are ready to take a firm stance on hits to the head. They moved one step closer to making an official rule recommendation yesterday when the eight-man group in charge of examining the issue came up with a penalty designed to curb head shots. They'll present the idea to the larger group today and are expected to have a proposal for the competition committee when the meetings

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5. Christian Gagnon	N, CA	839	355	524	879	
6. Kyle Turk	N, CA	890	370	503	873	
7. Dennis MacDougall	N, CA	860	360	511	871	
8. Cole Warren	N, CA	872	330	536	866	
9. Bernie Horton	O, CA	826	359	505	864	
10. Joanne Doiron	N, CA	832	349	513	862	
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Altima races to the top

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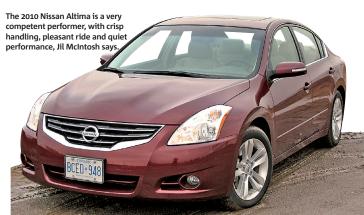
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Nissan may be focused on its upcoming electric cars these days, but it hasn't forgotten gasoline. For 2010, it offers a refreshed version of the midsize Altima sedan.

It's available with a 2.5litre four-cylinder, at a starting price of \$23,798. My tester used the 3.5-litre V6, which starts at \$28,298; in top-line SR trim, my vehicle was \$31,898, further tweaked with a \$3,550 Leather Package of cowhide seats, upgraded stereo, Bluetooth and other items. While the four-cylinder can be ordered with a six-speed manual transmission, the V6 exclusively uses a continuously variable transmission (CVT), which functions as a gearless automatic. The Altima is also available as a two-door coupe or gasoline-electric sedan.

Modifications to the 2010 are relatively minor. Front-end styling changed, although the back end remains the same. An important difference is that stability and traction control are now standard on all models.

Altima is a very competent performer, with crisp handling, pleasant ride and quiet performance. The 270-hp V6 offers impressive acceleration, and



while I'm still not entirely sold on the feel of in CVTs in larger cars, this unit works fine.

The company thinks so too, and in an effort to convince customers who worry about repair costs, it has doubled the warranty on all such units, back to 2003, for a to-

tal of 10 years

whichever comes first. Official fuel ratings are 10.2 L/100 km in the city and 7.2 on the highway, while during a week of cold-weather

L/100 km.

Early Altimas suffered from cheap interiors, but the company has gotten progressively better, and this new version

plastic pieces are fit-

looks and feels refined.

and easy to use,

The controls are simple

together well, and the upgraded Bose stereo cludes a colour audio display screen and an iPod

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Corolla, a car

MODEL: 2003 to 2006 Toyota Corolla

VEHICLE TYPE: Compact

APPROXIMATE USED PRICE RANGE: \$5,500 to \$12,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION: The Corolla has long been Toyota's "bread and butter" small car for the Canadian masses. Built to be reliable, efficient and cheap to run, it's got a lengthy history of winning awards and being named to "best buy" lists of

For its ninth generation, Corolla filled in a place between the Yaris Camry in Toyota's product Second portfolio. The Corolla was also Gear made larger and roomier than before, translating to more interior space. Styling was rel-atively plain, though a visually sporty Corolla 'S' model added some go-fast styling cues. Side and cur-

tain bags were available,

along with power accessories, a cabin air filter and a CD player.

Power came from a 1.8 liter four cylinder engine with 126 ponies and 122 lb.-ft of torque. This base engine employs variable timing for surprisingly peppy performance, as long as it's paired with the five-speed manual transmission and not the four-speed automat-

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A high-performance XRS model was also available, and featured a tuned-up variant of the 1.8 litre engine with 170 horsepower and a six-speed manu-

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: Owners typically say they most enjoy the tidy cabin layout, comfort, handling and safety of their Corollas. Gas mileage is rated highly, too. Owners of the Corolla XRS also enjoy a high-performance experience.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Owner gripes centre mainly around bland

and generic styling, and some wish for more performance from the four-cylinder engine /auto 2010 **Nissan Altima** Type: Midsize sedan

Price: from \$23,798 Engine: 2.5L fourcylinder/3.5L V6 HP: 270 (V6) Fuel Economy: 10.2L/100 km city, 7.2L/100 km highway

Highlights

- Roomy, plush interior with improved sound system
- Standard stability and traction control

menu button that takes you directly to your player when it's plugged into the auxiliary outlet.

The roomy rear seats fold down, increasing the trunk from a length of 110 cm to a total of 170 cm of cargo length. Oddly, though, the passenger side drops down via a button on the seatback, but to fold the one behind the driver's seat. you have to reach deep into the trunk and pull a strap.

Overall, when midsize sedan buyers are making their test-

drive list. Altima deserves to be in the top tier. san's continuing attention this sedan over has years certainly paid off.

The Honda 3R-C concept.

A Honda concept, just for you

DEBUT The Honda 3R-C, a revolutionary one-person battery electric vehicle concept, made its world debut at the recent Geneva Motor Show.

The three-wheeled 3R-C concept shows what a future minimal urban transport vehicle for one person might look like.

The battery electric drivetrain is mounted low in the chassis, three-wheeled therefore keeping the centre of gravity low and thus improving stability.

The 3R-C has a clear canopy that covers the driver's seat while it is parked and not in use.

When 3R-C vehicle is in motion, the canopy becomes an enveloping windshield that provides the pilot, who sits low in the vehicle with significant protection from the bodywork and doors.

The high sides of the safety shell seat give greater safety to the occupant, reducing the threat from side impacts and improving weather protection.

FROM CARGUIDE

matic transmission combipected life was over. Apparently, the bill to replace a catalytic converter is a hefty

COMMON ISSUES: Corolla's reputation for reliability means that common issues are few and far between but like every used car, there are at least a few issues to be aware of.

Some owners have reported having to change their

VERDICT: Though THE priced at a premium, a clean, well-maintained and well cared for Corolla is one of the used car market's most reliable and sensible small cars.



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Workology

SFU opens 3-D theatre

Last Friday, Simon Fraser University's Surrey campus unveiled its new digital theatre, the result of a complete retrofit of the 200-seat Westminster Savings Centre Union Theatre, the largest lecture theatre at the campus. Surrey-based Lightyear Digital Theatre donated over \$400,000 worth of equipment, software, and installation to the theatre.

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Options abound in Engineering field

Engineering the Future

Metro Workology is focusing on careers and education in the engineering sector for the month of March to celebrate National Engineering Month. Check back every Wednesday.

JON TATTRIE for Metro Canada



Engineering is a versatile discipline, with professionals working in medicine, wildlife conservation and forensics in Canada and around the world.

Elizabeth Cannon, dean of the Schulich School of Engineering at the University of Calgary, says engineers build bridges, cars and buildings, but it's also more widespread and cutting edge. "The evolution of the engineering discipline has been going on for a long time, but sometimes we suffer from some of the stereotypes," she says.

One of those stereotypes is that engineers are men, but Cannon says 24 per cent of her students are women and she works hard to increase that number. "Women students do very well in our programs



You wouldn't think grizzly bear tracking would be in your set of skills as an engineer, but it could be.

... and when they go out in industry, they again do

very, very well."
Health-inclined engineers can go into biomedical engineering, which has engineers create new devices, such as robots that perform brain surgery.

"Engineers have a very direct and significant impact on the evolution of how medicine will be performed now and into the future," Cannon says.

Geomatics, Cannon's

Geomatics, Cannon's field, builds GPS technology for in-car navigation, Smartphones and even tracking grizzly bears. The wildlife trackers help conservationists, biologists and policy makers. "The collection of data and the interpretation of data is what we do in the engi-

neering field, in addition to actually producing the devices," she says.

Engineers can also specialize in building robots that work in danger zones like search-and-rescue or mine detection.

"Engineering is a career that can really allow you to make a difference in the world," Cannon says. "You can work in the office, in the field, locally or internationally."

Gilles Amirault is a forensic engineer with Calgary-based Samac, but he admits he hadn't even heard of forensic engineers before he became one. He found the job posted online after graduating from Dalhousie University's co-op mechanical engineering program in 2004.

Forensic engineers visit the scene of vehicular accidents and use applied physics and dynamics to work out what happened. Using police markings, they take photographs and detailed notes, speak with police, inspect the vehicles, get witness information and then reconstruct the incident with computers offware.

"It's determining the speed of the vehicles involved, who went over the centre line, who was at fault, who could have prevented the incident, who could not have," he says. "It's really interesting."

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Workology in **brief**

ALBERTA INVITES STUDENTS
TO ASSESS DRINKING HABITS
USING ONLINE TOOL The University of Alberta is encouraging students to take an online survey called "Check Yourself" to assess the impact of their alcohol consumption. A coalition of uAlberta student services groups hopes the survey's results will help the groups better understand how to reduce alcohol-related problems on campus.

UCALGARY INVESTIGATES RACIST GRAFFITI ON STUDENT ELECTION CAMPAIGN POSTERS

The University of Calgary is investigating an incident in which campaign posters belonging to a pair of candidates in a recent student election were marked with racist graffiti. On one poster of a female Muslim student, swastikas were drawn on the forehead of the woman's picture. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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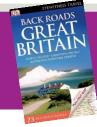
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A new guide to some of Utah's most scenic roads can be found on the state Office of Tourism website. The site features listings of which roads to take and what has made them state and national scenic byways. utah.travel. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Travel



Explore Britain's back roads

Compiled by expert travel writers, based full- or part-time in the countries and regions they write about, DK's new Back Roads series uses in-depth local knowledge to create driving tours full of original ideas for activities, off-the-beatenps, and authentically native places to eat and to stay in Great Britain. Back Roads of Great Britain is available on Amazon.com (\$28).

The changing face of Fort Lauderdale

Still a spring break mecca, the face of Florida tourism is working hard to attract families again

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Fort Lauderdale has come a long way from its hedo-nistic and infamous past as a Spring Break Mecca. Today, it is a sophisticat-

ed oceanside community that has something for every taste and budget.

Metro has compiled a list of places to eat, drink and be merry in Ft. Lauderdale for any budget.

DAILY BUDGET \$50

FΔT Algeria Tacos

It's not much to look at and the owners didn't waste money on decorating the interior, but the fresh ingredients and authentic Mexican menu keeps locals and tourists alike coming back for more. The best part? You can slap down a \$10 bill and leave with a full stomach and change in your pocket.

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will be a highlight of your **DAILY BUDGET \$100** EAT Cafe Seville

A staple of Fort Laud-erdale dining for more than 20 years the familyrun and Spanish-influ-enced Cafe Seville has one of the best wine lists in South Florida. Its intimate setting provides a perfect romantic break during your trip — but, book ahead or you may end up disappointed.

cafeseville.com

STAY Green Island Inn

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dential neighbourhood a little further north of most of Fort Lauderdale's hotels the family owned Green Island Inn is a gem at any price. For as little as \$50 a night it's deal that can't be beat. It's a short walk to the ocean, stunningly landscaped and a perfect desti-

nation for families. greenislandinn.com

Spirit of Lauderdale Catamaran

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The Spirit of Lauderdale

crew offers visitors all of that, along with an intimate knowledge of the history (and current gossip) of the city, for just \$30 per person. Ask about their Canadian discount. 1-800-979-3370

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Mai-Kai Restaurant and Polynesian Show It isn't highbrow, but it

is everything that people have come to expect from a Florida vacation. The Mai-Kai Restaurant and Polynesian Show is over the top, tourist oriented and generally quite loud, but it's also a whole lot of fun, popular with locals too and isn't loud what you're looking for in a vacation anyway?

There is a reason it's been a Fort Lauderdale landmark since 1956. It will cost you about \$80 a person to fully experience the dinner and show.

ΥΔΥ W Fort Lauderdale

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Sawgrass Park

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Man guilty of attempting to extort money from Crawford

A German man who tried to blackmail supermodel Cindy Crawford with a photo of her bound and gagged seven-year-old daughter was sentenced to two years in jail. Edis Kayalar, 26, stole the photo from a nanny, who took the picture during a game of cops and robbers. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Family feud

Joscar winner win vinque says sne nas banished her brother from her life — because he refuses to acknowledge her allegations that he sexually abused her as a child. FEMALERIRST.CO.U

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Spring reveals hidden gems

Hollywood warming up for blockbuster season

STEVE GOW for Metro Canada

The months leading up to summer's barrage of blockbusters are a lot like the season of spring itself — blooming with potential. Perhaps that's what makes springtime so exciting: It's a chance for audiences to experience Hollywood's most unheeded hidden gems.

Featuring Greek gods, money-mad investors, lost cowpokes and a classic horror icon, this year's crop of cinematic seedlings should share no less enthusiasm than their summer companions. Here are a few highlights of 2010's Spring Movie Preview:

Chloe (March 26): This thriller will turn heads with its tale about a sexually charged love triangle between Liam Neeson, Julianne Moore and Amanda Seyfried (Dear John).

The Last Song (March 31): Pop superstar Miley Cyrus takes on novelist Nicolas Sparks (The Notebook) in "a story of family, friendship, secrets and salvation." Although that also sounds like a description of Hannah Montana, it's



not that. Trust me.

Clash of the Titans (April 2): In this highly anticipated remake of the 1981 hit, the son of Zeus must save Earth from the god of the

underworld and a giant scorpion. And you thought the earwigs were a problem in your apartment.

Date Night (April 9): Tina Fey and Steve Carell bring the funny to the big-screen in this mistaken-identity comedy about a bored couple running from the mafia. Watch for appearances by Mila Kunis and Mark Wahlberg.

Piranha 3-D (April 16): Based loosely on a 1978 horror hit, this three-dimensional shocker explores everybody's favourite flesh-eating freshwater fish.

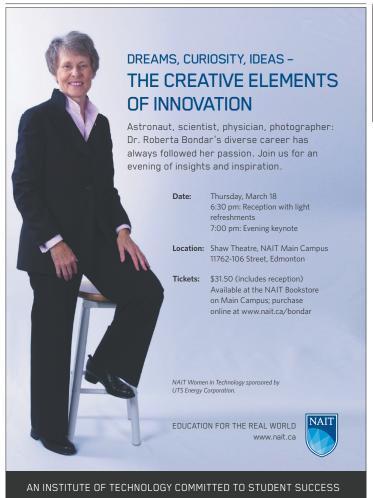
Kick-Ass (April 16): Perhaps the sleeper hit of the spring, this unlikely superhero comedy has been gaining plenty of excitement on the Internet. Then again, that kind of buzz backfired for Snakes on a Plane.

Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps (April 23): Director Oliver Stone breaks finance wizard Gordon Gekko (Michael Douglas) Highlights of the spring movie season include Clash of the Titans (April 2), left, and Kick-Ass (April 16), above.

from prison in this sequel to the captivating 1987 drama that previously won Douglas an Academy Award.

Gunless (April 30): Paul Gross (Passchendaele) plays a belligerent American outlaw lost in a sleepy Canadian hamlet in this western comedy.

Nightmare on Elm Street (April 30): Finally, yes, creepy Freddy Krueger returns to haunt your dreams. Let's hope he doesn't stink up the theatre while he's at it.





Guilty plea in Letterman extortion case

lEGAL A television producer admitted yesterday to trying to shake down David Letterman in a case that bared the late-night



l Letterman

icon's affairs with staffers, avoiding a long prison sentence by pleading guilty in exchange for six months in iail and community service.

Robert (Joe) Halderman, 52, entered the plea in a Manhattan court to attempted grand larceny after being accused of demanding \$2 million US to keep quiet about the late-night comic's workplace love life.

Halderman, a producer for CBS, had mined information from reading his then-girlfriend's diary entries about her relationship with Letterman, authorities said.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Katherine Heigl turned heads yesterday when she stepped out sporting brown, hair, a far cry from her usual blonde — reports dailymail.co.uk. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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With Regis and Kelly. Richter says he's still

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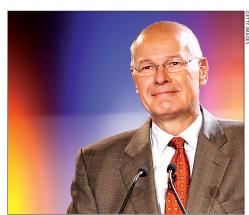
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taking the Tonight
Show away from him

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string of failed TV



Harry Smith will report live while undergoing a colonoscopy.

Early Show anchor shares his insides

The Early Show co-anchor Harry Smith is scheduled to have a colonoscopy today, with live reports as he undergoes the procedure at a New York hospital.

CBS says it will be the first time an anchor has had a colonoscopy live on network television.

CBS Evening News anchor Katie Couric plans to be with Smith as he prepares for the procedure. Smith and Couric are

recognizing National Colorectal Cancer Awareness month. Couric has been an advocate for early cancer screenings since her hus-band, TV legal analyst Jay Monahan, died of colon cancer 12 years ago. He was 42.

Taped reports of Couric's colonoscopy aired in 2000. The Early Show airs weekdays from 7 a.m. to 9

a.m. Eastern. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Andy Richter may tour with Conan O'Brien and Max Weinberg

COMEDY Andy Richter says a tour with Conan O'Brien and Max Weinberg is "a possibili-

The Hollywood porter says the tour would start the middle of next month and (

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Sharon Osbourne is having buyer's remorse over her breast augmentation surgery. "I wish I had never had my breasts done," Osbourne tells New! Magazine. "It is like a waterbed on your chest. I want to have the bags taken out — then I will put them on eBay." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

The Cowell's out of the bag

MARRY ... SOMETIME IN THE NEXT DECADE He's famed for his caustic put-downs on American Idol and The X Factor but Simon Cowell showed a very differ-

ent side to his personality as he shared a kiss with fiancée Mezhgan Hussainy on the Tonight Show, reports dailymail.co.uk.

After weeks of trying to deny their engagement, the 50-year-old finally confirmed the couple is getting married.

When asked by Jay Leno about the engagement rumours a flushed Cowell replied: "Are

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true?

Pointing out Hussainy's huge \$385,000 diamond engagement ring, Leno joked: "I thought she broke her arm.'

somebody happy.

Well, I do have somebody

in my life now, Jay, yes.

And I kinda made a deci-

sion this year to make

Contradicting reports he will wed this summer, Cowell said he wanted a wedding "in the next 10 years."

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Jermaine plans MJ tribute

BY ARRANGING A MASSIVE MONEY-MAKING TRIBUTE Despite previous failed attempts since his brother's death last June, Jermaine Jackson is committed to pulling off a massive tribute to Michael Jackson, and he wants it up before the anniversary, he tells Australia's **Undercov**er.com.

"The best way and most suitable way is the assemble world's largest tribute in history that is only fitting to a man

who moved the hearts and souls of an unimaginable amount," Jermaine says of the planned show, which will be called Tribute by

> reportedly already booked London's Wembley Arena ` June 8.

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Oscar winner's book, and

JOE JONAS doesn't like all

@ApoloOhno

Friends of Chi-Town...if we get a small break todaywhere is a quick lunch spot?

Like Mo'nique Ive decided to add an apostrophe to my name. Sincerely, Ra'inn. @ineionas

So there was a paparazzi filming me eating. Akward. I see the headline now.. "Joe eats food"

METRO NEW



Will she Mulligan LaBeouf?

BUT WHO WILL IT BE? After frequently bumping into each other on the awards circuit, it's no surprise that Oscar nominees Carey Mulligan and Jeremy Renner have struck up a friendship.

The actors were looking very cozy together as they partied at the Vanity Fair after-party on Sunday night, reports dailymail.co.uk.

The Bafta winner, 24, and The Hurt Locker star, 39, were spotted deep in conversation and being er as they openly flirted.

The pictures of the friendly pair are unlikely to go down well with Mulligan's actor boyfriend Shia LaBeouf, who was surprisingly absent at the Academy Awards. Mulligan has been

dating LaBeouf since August after falling for each other on the set of Wall Street: Money Never

LaBeouf was seen accompanying her to JFK airprompting joining her in Los Angeles ahead of the weekend's festivities.

Instead, Mulligan arrived on the red carpet at the Ko-

dak Theatre with her mom Nano, while Renner brought his mother Valerie.

Renner has recently been linked to newly-single beauty Charlize

Theron, but he insists they're just friends.

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Arguing over spilt milk

say Lohan is reportedly suing financial services company E-Trade over a new commercial she thinks is

mocking her,



boyfriend-stealing, 'milkoholic' baby named Lindsay, and Lohan alleges it was modeled after her. Lohan's lawyer argues

that the actress has the same single-name recognition as Madonna or Oprah.

"Many celebrities are known by one name only, and E-Trade is using that knowledge to profit," her lawyer says. Lohan is reportedly after \$100 million over the ad.

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Tiger released back into society

HIS SOCIAL REINTEGRATION SEEMS TO BE GOING WELL The reconciliation between Tiger Woods and Elin

Nordegren appears to be working, as the couple was spotted kissing earlier this

week Florida. according to Radar Online. "They



hugging and they were kissing right out in the a source tells the website.

"Elin is certainly a lot more relaxed these days and so is he. People in the

neighbourhood are getting used to seeing them together again. METRO NEWS SERVICES



Taking it too

far just once ADMIT IT, YOU ALL ASSUMED

HE WAS TOO With her Oscar specials over, Barbara Walters is taking a look back and says she only has one real regret pressing Ricky Martin about his sexuality

"In 2000, I pushed Ricky Martin very hard to admit if he was gay or not, and the way he refused to do it made everyone decide that he was," she tells the Toron-

to Star.
"A lot of people say that destroyed his career, and when I think back on it now I feel it was an inappropriate question."

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Mom give Jess thumbs up

WONDER WHAT SHE THOUGHT

OF CAMERON ... The news that Justin Timberlake is to star in a romantic comedy Bad Teacher with his ex Cameron Diaz is bound to have annoyed girlfriend Jessica Biel.

The 37-year-old Charlie's Angels star plays a junior high school teacher who sets out to colleague's boyfriend, played by Timberlake.

they split in 2007.

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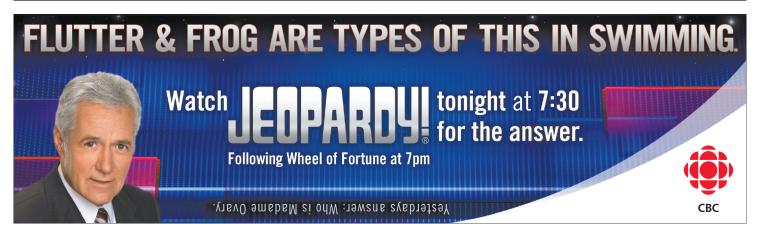
She dated the pop singer for almost four years until

At the Oscars, she told reporters: "He's clearly a

urday Night Live (skit)l. He's fantastic. He's going to be so great."

But it seems Jessica has nothing to worry about just yet, as Justin's mother Lynn Timberlake thinks she could be The One. Describing the Valentine's Day actress as "amazing" and "one of us," she added: "She's so down-to-earth and her family is great.

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Take Five



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Sudoku

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INGREDIENTS: 2 tbsp olive oil 1 large onion, finely chopped

A pinch white sugar 2 x 398-mL cans tomatoes 1/4 tsp crushed chili flakes 400 g spaghetti

450-g jar roasted red or mixed peppers, drained and sliced

3/4 cup stuffed green olives, rinsed, drained and halved

METHOD:

1. Heat oil in mediumsized pot, add onion and sugar, then cook gently 5 minutes. Meanwhile, tip tomatoes into food processor and whiz to make purée.

2. Add puréed tomatoes and crushed chili flakes to onion in pot and season

lightly with salt and plenty of pepper. Bring to boil, then cook, stirring occasionally, over medium heat 20 minutes.

3. While sauce is cooking, cook spaghetti in pot of salted boiling water according to pack instruc-

4. Drain pasta and turn into warmed serving bowl. Spoon over sauce, add peppers and olives, and toss gently to combine. Serve immediately with Parmesan.

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ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You will be confronted by a sit-uation that demands an instant response. No one has the

right to interfere in your personal affairs LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

A positive outlook is a must. Like it or not someone who is better connected has the upper hand at the moment, but it won't stay that way forever.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

(g) You may be more receptive than usual to out of the ordinary ideas but you must also be careful that you do not come across as too trusting.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22 While your confidence is high, other aspects suggest that some people still need convincing you have what it takes to

GEMINI

On the web

MAY 22-JUNE 21 If you can't come up with the money you need today it could lead to a showdown with those who hold the purse strings. Try to become financially independent.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

Your best course today is to be open and honest about the way that you feel – and then to resolve to do something about

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JUNE 22-JULY 22 The Sun in Pisces is a helpful influence but it also brings obligations you cannot avoid. To-day's aspects are about power and responsibility.

CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

You can't help but be a bit emotional and in a way that's good because you have been hiding your feelings for too long. Just don't get too sentimental.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

You are impatient to get started on things you have been thinking about for months, and with Mars turning direct in your sign vou won't have to wait long.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
If you allow things to slide today you will be struggling to catch up for the rest of the week, so stay on top of your

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

You won't be in the most for giving of moods today, especially if you are still annoyed with someone who has betrayed you.

PISCES

but don't be a sucker.

FEB 19-MARCH 20
Everyone wants to be your friend, but that does not mean everyone is entitled to a free ride at your expense. Help out

This day in history

1804: In St. Louis, Miss., a formal ceremony is conducted to transfer ownership of the Louisiana Territory from France to the United States.

1831: The French Foreign Legion is established by King Louis-Philippe to support his war in Algeria.

1876: Alexander Graham Bell makes the first successful telephone call.

1959: Fearing an abduction attempt by China, 300,000 Tibetans surround the Dalai Lama's palace to prevent

1969: James Earl Ray pleads guilty to assassinating Martin Luther King Jr. He would later retract his guilty plea.

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